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## STATE BONDING FOR TORRINGTON COURTHOUSE APPROVED

State Representatives Michelle Cook (65<sup>th</sup> District) and Roberta Willis (64<sup>th</sup> District) are proud to announce that the state approved a grant-in-aid to the city of Torrington for storm drainage improvements in the area of the new Litchfield Judicial Courthouse.

The State Bonding Commission approved a total amount of \$800,000 for this project on Friday, September 30, 2016.

"The 800k is vitally important to the surrounding community," Rep. Cook said. "These funds will be used to prevent a financial burden on the town and additionally ensures the commitment previously made by the state."

"These funds are necessary and should be considered an integral part of the construction of the courthouse," Rep. Willis said. "It is essential to the City of Torrington that the state address upgrades to Field Street and for adequate storm water run-off."

The 174,000 square foot courthouse is located on Field Street in Torrington and is expected to open in January 2017.

The courthouse will have an additional 381-space parking lot developed next door and will replace the old Judicial District Courthouse in Litchfield, Bantam Superior Court, a Family Services Office in Litchfield and the closed Juvenile Court in Torrington that houses civil, criminal, family and juvenile courts.